

QARI – Ramadhan Qur'an Competition

Terms and Conditions for Participation

QARI (Qur'an, Azadari & Religious Impact Department of the Council of European Jamaats) is pleased to announce an exciting Qur'an Competition for participants from the **European Regions**, and collaboration with The World Federation accepting entries from **global participants**. Participants should be members of Member Jamaats (belonging to one of the Regional Federations or KSI Jamaat of Dubai).

This initiative aims to inspire love for the Holy Qur'an, nurture recitation and memorization skills, and connect communities through the words of Allah (SWT).

The competition is launching on **27th Rajab 1446**, on the occasion of Mab'ath with a deadline of registration at the end of the day of **15th Shabaan 1446 (GMT Time zone)**.

The details for the competition are as below:

Age Categories	Recitation	Hifdh
Children	Juz 29	Surah Al-Fajr (89)
Youth	Juz 1-5	Surah Al-Dukhan (44)
Adults	Full Qur'an	Surah Al-Rum (30)
Special Needs		Surah al-Qadr (97)

Below are the Terms and Conditions of the competition:

Eligibility

- Age Groups:**
 - **Children:** 8 years & under (Born on or after 1st March 2016)
 - **Youth:** 9–13 years (Born between 1st March 2011 and 28th February 2016)
 - **Adults:** 14 years & above (Born on or before 28th February 2011)
- Residency:** Open to participants from European regions and global participants.
- Special Needs (not age dependant):** Participants with special needs may compete in the designated category and their specific needs will be accommodated to the best of our ability.

Registration

- All participants must complete the official registration form by **15th Shabaan 1446**. Late entries will not be accepted.
 - Participants must provide accurate information, including age, contact details, and category selection.
 - Participants will be contacted via the email address provided during registration regarding testing dates and timings. It is the responsibility of the participant to ensure that the email address is active and functional. The CoEJ QARI Team will not be held responsible for missed communications due to incorrect or non-functional email addresses. Changes to the email address will not be permitted after the registration deadline.
 - Registration will be confirmed upon receipt of a confirmation email by the Qari Team.
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Competition Rules

1. **Category Selection:** Participants may compete in one or both of the following categories:
 - **Hifdh:** Memorization of specified Surahs.
 - **Recitation:** Live recitation with Tajweed.
 2. **Testing Platform:**
 - Testing will take place live via **Zoom**. Participants must ensure they have access to a stable internet connection.
 - Participants require to join the zoom room with their registered name.
 - The judges will assign specific sections of the Qur'an for participants to recite in the competition. The selection of these sections will be at the sole discretion of the judges.
 - The use of external aids, such as Qur'an copies, or microphones for sound amplifying/echoing is strictly prohibited during live testing. For Recitation, a copy of the passage will be available on either Madani (Uthmani) Script or Farsi (Indo Pak) script as requested during registration.
 3. **Assigned Timeslots:**
 - Participants must adhere to their assigned testing times. Failure to join 10 minutes before the allocated timeslot will result in disqualification unless prior notice is given and approved by the organizers.
 4. **Judging Panel:** Decisions made by the judging panel will be final and binding.
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Judging Criteria

1. **Hifdh:**
 - Accuracy of memorization.
 - Fluency of recitation.
 - Correct application of Tajweed rules.
2. **Recitation:**

- Pronunciation and clarity.
 - Fluency and speed.
 - Adherence to Tajweed rules.
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Technical Requirements

1. Participants must have:
 - A device capable of running Zoom with audio and video enabled.
 - A quiet environment to avoid distractions during testing.
 2. The organizers are not responsible for technical difficulties faced by participants during live testing.
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Code of Conduct

1. Participants must conduct themselves respectfully during all interactions with organizers, judges, and other participants.
 2. Female participants are requested to be in appropriate hijab.
 3. Any form of plagiarism, dishonesty, or inappropriate behavior will result in immediate disqualification.
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Prizes and Recognition

1. Winners will be announced during **Eid al-Fitr celebrations**.
 2. Prizes may include certificates, cash awards, and gifts, as determined by the organizers.
 3. Winners may also be invited to participate in future QARI events.
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Use of Media

1. By registering, participants consent to the use of their name, photograph, and recitation recordings for promotional and marketing purposes by QARI and CoEJ (Council of European Jamaats).
 2. Any requests to opt out of media use must be submitted in writing during registration.
 3. Participants are not permitted to screen record or upload any part of the recording on to their own social media without it being published by CoEJ first.
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Disqualification

1. The organizers reserve the right to disqualify any participant who fails to adhere to the rules or demonstrates conduct unbecoming of the competition's spirit.
 2. Disqualification decisions by the judging panel or organizers are final and not subject to appeal.
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General

1. The competition schedule and judging process are subject to change at the discretion of the organizers.
 2. Participants will be notified promptly of any changes to the schedule or rules.
 3. These Terms and Conditions are subject to updates; participants will be informed of any amendments.
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Contact Information

For any queries or concerns, participants may contact the QARI Competition team via email at **qari@coej.org**

By registering for the QARI Qur'an Competition, participants agree to abide by the above terms and conditions.

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